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**TRANSMITTAL: REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This request for continued examination of the above-noted application includes:

- Submission of documents (37 CFR §1.114(a), (c))
  - The submission consists of the enclosed Response.
- Fee (37 CFR §1.114(a), §1.17(e)):
  - The fee of \$652 is calculated on the following basis:

**RCE FEE** (Taking account of preexisting claims and any amendments made in the submission)

| For   | No. Filed - Already Paid | No. Extra | Rate (SMALL ENTITY) | Fee (SMALL ENTITY) |
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| Basic RCE Fee   |                          |           | \$405               | \$405              |
| Total Claims  | 29 - 22 =                | 7         | x \$26 =            | \$182              |
| Independent Claims                                    | 3 - 3 =                  | 0         | x \$110 =           | \$0                |
| Extension of time fee (1 Month) (37 CFR §1.136, 1.17) |                          |           | + \$65 =            | \$65               |
| Total:  |                          |           |                     | \$652              |

**NOTE:** Small entity status has previously been specified in this application, and is continuing

**AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ACCOUNT:** The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16, or any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 18-2055; and to credit any overpayment to that account.

I certify that this paper is being electronically submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office via the EFS-Web system on the following date:

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If any questions regarding the application arise, please contact the undersigned attorney. Telephone calls related to this application are welcomed and encouraged.

For the Applicant

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